

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph of the specification after the title as follows:

-- Cross-reference to related cases

This application is a continuation of co-pending application S.N. 09/794,873, filed on February 27, 2001, which ~~The present case~~ claims the benefit of the following Provisional Applications: "Cavity Sealing Barrier", Ser. No. 60/185,323, filed Feb. 28, 2000; "Implant for Hard Bones", Ser. No. 60/220,303, filed Jul. 24, 2000; "Vertebral Body Sealing Device and Method", Ser. No. 60/239,216, filed Oct. 10, 2000; "Hydraulic Distraction with Permeable Membrane", Ser. No. 60/239,217, filed Oct. 10, 2000 and incorporates each of these by reference in their entirety.    - -